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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re Application of: )  
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Martin FISCHER et al. ) Group Art Unit: Unassigned  
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Application No.: Unassigned ) Examiner: Unassigned  
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For: ELECTRONIC DATA STRUCTURE FOR CONTROLLING ACCESS TO DATA  
OBJECTS, being a **National Stage filing** of PCT International Application No.  
PCT/EP03/009833, filed on September 4, 2003

Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

**PRELIMINARY AMENDMENT**

Prior to the examination of the above application, please amend this application  
as follows:

**Amendments to the Specification** begin on page 2 of this paper.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on  
page 15 of this paper.

**Remarks/Arguments** begin on page 20 of this paper.

**Attachments** to this amendment include a Substitute Abstract.